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Attention: Charles Terreni
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
Columbia, SC

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Posted: D. Duke
To: SA O/S
Date: 1-29-07
Re: _____

Regarding Docket 2005-385-E Net Metering

I am submitting this comment to support the requirement for net metering as a way of encouraging solar power generation in South Carolina for the following reasons:

Lower cost of peak power

Solar energy, in particular, is typically produced at times of peak power consumption when utilities have traditionally relied on more expensive generation capacity. This alone would justify the net metering economics.

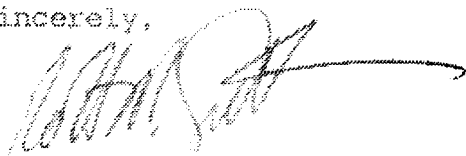
Decreased Carbon Load on the Planet

Offsetting our use of coal fired generation will help alleviate the effects of greenhouse gases.

Support for local small business and employment

Installation and maintenance of small systems will provide a boost to local economies.

Sincerely,



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